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Rome, April 24. *N. S.*

THE Pope recovers his Strength every day, and continues his Resolution of going shortly to see the new Works that are made at Port *Anzo*. When he gave Audience to Prince *Anthony* of *Parma*, he allowed him to sit on a Stool; Whereupon the Count *de Lemos*, General of the Galleys of *Naples*, as Grandee of *Spain* pretends the same Honour, and because it was not granted, is returned to *Naples* without taking Leave of the Pope. The three Princes, Sons to the late King of *Poland*, do also make the like Claim, and for that reason have not yet seen the Pope. They are gone from hence to see the City of *Naples*, as is likewise the Prince of *Parma*. Count *Martinitz*, Ambassador from the Emperor, is preparing to return to *Vienna*, without taking his Audience of Leave of the Pope, who could not be prevailed with to grant it, notwithstanding great Application has been made to him for that purpose. The Emperor has signified to the Pope, that he approves of Signior *Davia*, who at present is Nuncio in *Poland*, to reside with the same Character at the Imperial Court. Signior *Pignatelli*, who succeeds him at the Court of *Poland*, and Signior *Aquaviva*, who goes Nuncio to *Spain*, have taken their Leave of the Pope, and are on their departure. Signior *Caracciioli* is appointed to go in the like Quality to the Court of *Florence*. The Emperor has recommended the Bishop of *Passau* to the Pope, in order to his being made a Cardinal at the next Promotion; The Arch-Bishop of *Paris* has the like Recommendation from *France*, the Abbot of *Darmstad* from *Spain*, and the Prince of *Sax-Zeitz*, Bishop of *Raab*, from *Poland*.

Venice, April 30. The Prince of *Lubomirsky*, who has been at the Court of *Savoy* with the Character of Envoy from *Poland*, and came lately to this Place with a design to go to *Rome*, received an Express this week with Orders forthwith to return to *Warsaw*, and is accordingly gone thither. Signior *Gabrielo Zorzi*, whom the Senate have named to be their Ambassador at *Vienna* in the room of Signior *Loredano*, has not yet accepted of that Employment. On the 19th Instant the Fishermen of this City met, according to Custom, in the Church of St. *Nicholas*, to choose an ancient Officer called *Doge of the Nicholaiti*; But there arose such a Contention among them, that they came to Blows, and divers were wounded; At last they made their Choice, and on the 27th Instant the same was confirmed by the Doge and Senate in the usual manner. This Officer was formerly in great Esteem, and Sate in the Senate at the Doge's right hand; but he long since lost his Place in the Senate, and most of his other Privileges.

Mittaw, May 1. We have an Account, that Colonel *Gersdorf*, who at present Commands the *Saxons* encamped before *Riga*, has received certain Advice, that the Forces which are sent from *Finland* to relieve the Town, are making the best of their way thither, and are to be joined in their March by some Forces which are to come by Sea from *Sweden*, so that these Succours will be much stronger than was at first reported; and that he has sent an Express to *Warsaw*, to give Advice thereof, and to hasten the March of the Reinforcements from *Poland* and *Saxony*; And in the mean time the *Saxons* are doing all they can to fortifie their Camp. On the 26th Instant, at night, about 400 of the Garrison of *Riga* went out in Boats, and attempted to destroy the Bridge which the *Saxons* have built over the *Dwina*, about half a mile from the Town, but they were timely discovered, and the Troops which guard the said Bridge firing upon them, obliged them to retire, with the loss of divers of their Men.

Warsaw, April 29. The Cardinal Primate arrived here the 25th Instant from *Lowitz*; he was the next day a long time in Private with the King of *Poland*, and has had several Conferences with General *Fleming*, and with the Weywode of *Mariembourg*, who endeavoured to obtain a Promise from him, That he would use his Interest with the rest of the Senators, to dispose them to assist the King in making War against *Sweden*, but 'tis said, the Cardinal has declared he will not concern himself on either side till the Senate meets, and that he will then deliver his Opinion as he shall think to be most for the good of the Republick. The Crown General, and the other Senators that are out of Town, are daily expected. They write from *Lithuania*, that the Quarrels between the Houses of *Sapieha* and *Oginsky* are increased to that height, that they are raising Men, and 'tis feared they will come again to Hostilities.

Stockholme, May 1. The Dutchess of *Holstein-Gottorp*, Sister to the King of *Sweden*, was delivered on the 29th past of a Prince, who was Christned the same day by the name of *Charles-Frederick*. The King and the Duke of *Holstein* are still at *Carelscroone*, where the *Swedish* Fleet is fitting out with all possible diligence.

Copenhagen, May 8. The Duke of *Wirtemberg* having sent an Express hither, to acquaint the King, that he had Bombarded *Tonningen*, but not having the Effect he expected, he desired his further Directions, whether he should formally attack the Town; This Courier was immediately sent back with Orders to the Duke, to use all possible Means to make himself Master of that Place. The *Danish* Fleet is in a readiness to put to Sea, and has on Board 4000 Land-Forces. The Admiral has received his Instructions, but they are sealed up, which he is not to open till he comes off the Isle of *Bornholme*; But 'tis reported, that the main Fleet is to continue near that Island, to observe the *Swedish* Fleet; And that a Squadron, composed of the lightest Ships, will be sent to cruize on the Coast of *Livonia*, to hinder the *Swedes* from sending any Succour thither by Sea. A Merchant Ship is come in here from *Coningsberg*, the Master whereof reports, that in his Passage hither he met with several Transport-Ships, having on board 3000 *Swedes*, who